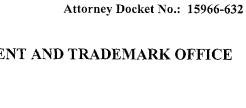
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

FIRST-NAMED INVENTOR:

Bader et al.

FOR:

METHOD OF ANALYZING A NUCLEIC ACID

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR FILING A NEW NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

- 1. This is a request for filing a new nonprovisional patent application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b). This application claims to provisional patent application 60/174, 685, filed January 6, 2000.
- 2. This application is a total of 44 pages.

This application includes:

30 pages of specification (not including claims, abstract, or figures)

5 pages of claims (19 claims)

1 page of abstract

8 pages of Figures (FIGS. 1-12).

- Also included is a Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney (unsigned) (3 pages). 3.
- 4. Fee Calculation

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| Claims | Number Filed | Basic Fee Allowance | Number Extra | Rate | Basic Fee 37 C F.R. §1.16(a) \$710.00 |
| Total Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c)) | 20 | - 20 = | 0 | \$18 00 | \$0.00 |
| Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1 16(b)) | 3 | -3 = | 0 | \$80.00 | \$0 00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d)) | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$270.00 | \$0.00 |
| | | SUBTOTAL: | | | \$710.00 |
| | | Less 50% for small entity | | | \$355.00 |
| | | TOTAL FEE: | | | \$355.00 |

- 5. A check (#7602) in the amount of \$355.00 is enclosed.
- Small entity status is appropriate for this application. 6.
- 7. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any fees due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No.: 15966-632 (Cura-132).



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8. A return receipt postcard is enclosed.

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